

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

DONALD GEORGE FLETCHER,

Petitioner,

No. CIV S-03-0366 ALA HC

vs.

SCOTT P. RAWERS, Warden,

ORDER

Respondent.

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Petitioner is a state prisoner proceeding pro se and in forma pauperis with an application for writ of habeas corpus pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254. On July 21, 2003, Petitioner requested the appointment of counsel. On July 30, 2003, the magistrate judge assigned to this matter denied that request. On July 3, 2007, this case was reassigned to the undersigned.

18 U.S.C. § 3006A authorizes the appointment of counsel at any stage of the case “if the interests of justice so require.” *See* Rule 8 (c), Fed. R. Governing § 2254 Cases. In light of the complexity of the legal issues involved, I have concluded that the interests of justice require appointment of counsel. *See* 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(a)(2)(B); *see also Weygandt v. Look*, 718 F.2d 952, 954 (9th Cir. 1983).

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

1. The Federal Defender is appointed to represent Petitioner.

